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1. PHILIPPINE OFFER TO HOST 1978 GA IN MANILA --

ACCORDING TO GA PRESIDENT MOJSOV'S (YUGOSLAVIA) AIDE, MOJSOV IS TELLING KEY THIRD WORLD LEADERS IN UN THAT DECISION SO IMPORTANT TO THE UN AS HOLDING 1978 GA IN MANILA CANNOT BE TAKEN BY A SIMPLE VOTE AND MUST BE ON BASIS OF CONSENSUS. REPORTEDLY MOJSOV AND SYG WALDHEIM SPELLED OUT TO GEN ROMULO AND PHILIPPINE AMB YANGO IN GREAT DETAIL ALL THE NEGATIVE REACTIONS RECEIVED FROM GEOGRAPHIC GROUPS AND INDIVIDUAL REPRESENTATIVES, AND ROMULO AGREED TO REPORT THE DISCUSSION TO MANILA BUT DID NOT IN ANY WAY INDICATE THAT THE PHILIPPINE POSITION HAD CHANGED. USDEL UNDERSTANDS THEY EXPECT THE GENERAL COMMITTEE TO TAKE UP INSCRIPTION OF THE ITEM NOV. 30.

YANGO BRIEFED THE WEO GROUP AND STRESSED HIS GOVERNMENT WOULD PROVIDE ALL ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS AND FACILITIES WHICH THE UN SURVEY TEAM LISTED, BUT HE RECEIVED NO SUPPORT FROM ANY OF THE GROUP. SUBSEQUENTLY THE US, UK FRANCE AND USSR AGREED TO ASSESS POSSIBILITY OF DEFEATING THE ITEM IN THE GENERAL COMMITTEE. IRANIAN AMB HOVEYDA INDICATED HE TOLD YANGO THAT THE PROPOSAL WAS "OUTRAGEOUS" AND IRAN COULD NOT SUPPORT IT. (CONFIDENTIAL --USUN 5024, 5043)

2. PALESTINIAN RIGHTS --

PALESTINIAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE PRODUCED TENTATIVELY AGREED TEXT FOR TWO RESOLUTIONS ON "THE QUESTION OF CONFIDENTIAL

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PALESTINE." INDIANS INFORMED USDEL THEIR TENTATIVE AGREEMENT TO THE MAIN DRAFT IS CONTINGENT ON INSERTION TO THE EFFECT THAT THE EXISTING STAFF OF THE COMMITTEE SHOULD BE STRENGTHENED TO ACCOMMODATE THE PROPOSED SPECIAL UNIT ON PALESTINIAN RIGHTS. USDEL HAS CONTINUED TO MAKE KNOWN TO EUROPEANS, JAPANESE, CANADIANS AND OTHERS ITS STRONGLY NEGATIVE VIEWS ON BOTH RESOLUTIONS, AND POINTED OUT BLUNDER AND ABSURDITY OF ENLARGING THE STAFF OF THE PALESTINIAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE WHEN IT SERVES NO USEFUL PURPOSE. (CONFIDENTIAL -- USUN 5026,5057)

3. UNDOF MANDATE RENEWAL --

SC IS SCHEDULED TO MEET ON NOV. 30 TO RENEW MANDATE OF UNITED NATIONS DISENGAGEMENT OBSERVER FORCE (UNDOF) FOR ANOTHER SIX MONTHS. UN SECRETARIAT OFFICIAL GLEISSNER SAID SYRIA GAVE ITS CONSENT TO THE RENEWAL AND REQUESTED THAT THE SAME PROCEDURE BE FOLLOWED AS THAT OF THE 7TH RENEWAL OF MAY 26, 1977. THIS PROCEDURE INCLUDES A BRIEF STATEMENT BY PRESIDENT OF SC WHICH WILL FOLLOW CLOSELY THAT OF THE MAY STATEMENT. PROCEDURE ALSO INCLUDES THAT ONLY MEMBERS OF THE SC WILL SPEAK; SYRIA AND ISRAEL

HAVE AGREED NOT TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL AS LONG AS THE OTHER
DOES NOT. AS ON PREVIOUS RENEWALS THE SYG WILL INTRODUCE
HIS REPRT, THEN THE COUNCIL WILL VOTE ON DRAFT RESOLUTION.
(CONFIDENTIAL--USUN 5044)

4. CONSOLIDATION OF INTERNATIONAL DETENTE --

HOVEYDA (IRAN) HAD HOPED TO COMPLETE DRAFTING NOV. 25
OF THE "DRAFT WORKING PAPER ON THE DEEPENING AND CONSOLI-
DATION OF INTERNATIONAL DETENTE," BUT HAS NOW SET NOV. 30
AS FINAL TARGET FOR TURNING OVER THE TEXT TO COMMITTEE 1
CHAIRMAN. NORWEGIANS AND CANADIANS GAVE HIM ADDITIONAL
SUGGESTIONS, PARTLY REFLECTING US VIEWS AND PARTLY THOSE
OF OSLO AND OTTAWA. SOVIET AMB ISSRAELYAN COMPLAINED TO
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AMB LEONARD THAT NORWEGIANS AND CANADIANS ARE COMPLICATING
COMPLETION OF DRAFTING EXERCISE, AND FINNISH PERMREP SAID
HOVEYDA BELIEVES NORWEGIANS AND CANADIANS ARE ENGAGING IN
DILATORY TACTICS. HOVEYDA HAS TOLD CANADIANS THIS IS LAST
TIME HE WILL AGREE TO CHAIR AD HOC GROUP ON BEHALF OF SOVIETS.

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ISSRAELIAN TOLD LEONARD SOVIETS ARE NOT PREPARED TO
WITHDRAW THEIR DRAFT ON PREVENTION OF NUCLEAR WAR, BUT
ARE WILLING TO DEVELOP SHORT PROCEDURAL RESOLUTION WHICH
WOULD TRANSMIT THAT TEXT OF THE SPECIAL SESSION ON DISARMAMENT.
(CONFIDENTIAL -- USUN 5045)

5. PEACEKEEPING --

PEACEKEEPING WORKING GROUP MET TO CONSIDER DRAFT WORKING
GROUP REPORT TO THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON PEACEKEEPING
OPERATIONS. SEVERAL CHANGES AGREED UPON. US/INDIAN
COMPROMISE WAS ACCEPTED, WHEREBY THE WORKING PAPER WOULD
BE REFERRED TO AS BEING AVAILABLE TO THE MEMBERS OF THE
SPECIAL COMMITTEE. SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON PEACEKEEPING
OPERATIONS HAS SCHEDULED A MEETING ON THIS REPORT FOR
DEC. 1. (LIMITED OFFICIAL USE -- USUN 5036)

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6. OUTER SPACE COMMITTEE ENLARGEMENT --

AUSTRIANS INFORMED US THAT INITIAL EFFORTS TO REACH
COMPROMISE BETWEEN COLOMBIAN RESOLUTION, CALLING FOR
IMMEDIATE ENLARGEMENT OF OUTER SPACE COMMITTEE (OSC),
AND AUSTRIAN COUNTER-RESOLUTION DEFERRING ANY DECISION TO
1978 HAVE BEEN UNSUCCESSFUL. THEY HAVE NOW DECIDED NOT
TO PUT THEIR RESOLUTION TO A VOTE, AND COLOMBIA WILL INTRODUCE
REVISED VERSION WHICH WILL INCREASE MEMBERSHIP FROM 37
TO 47. AUSTRIANS SAID THEIR DECISION WAS REACHED AFTER
CONSULTATIONS AND BASED ON ASSESSMENT THERE WAS UNSUFFICIENT
SUPPORT FOR THEIR DRAFT. ALSO, THEY WISHED TO AVOID PROCEDURAL
FLOOR FIGHT THREATENED BY IRAQ. (CONFIDENTIAL -- USUN 5025,
5027, 5046, 5047)

7. UN HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR HUMAN RIGHTS --

WESTERN GROUP MEMBERS INFORMED USUN THEY ARE GOING
FOR A CONSENSUS VOTE ON REVISED DRAFT RESOLUTION
L.17 ON ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND CULTURAL RIGHTS, AND WILL
URGE MOROCCO TO ACCEPT CHANGES OFFERED BY NON-ALIGNED
AND JOIN WESTERN GROUP IN ATTEMPT FOR A CONSENSUS VOTE.
IF THERE IS A VOTE, CANADA, NORWAY, AUSTRIA, PORTUGAL,
AUSTRALIA, FRG, BELGIUM, DENMARK AND ITALY WILL VOTE YES.
UK, JAPAN IRELAND, AND POSSIBLY NETHERLANDS WILL ABSTAIN.
SWEDEN, NEW ZEALAND AND FINLAND ANNOUNCED THAT THEY WOULD COSPONSOR
L.17. (CONFIDENTIAL -- USUN 5020, 5029)

8. BURUNDI INTEREST IN HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION --

BURUNDI PERMREP SIMBANANIYE MENTIONED TO AMB. YOUNG BURUNDI'S INTEREST IN CANDIDACY FOR SEAT ON HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION. SIMBANANINIYE SAID CANDIDACY SOLELY IN PLANNING STAGE, CONFIDENTIAL

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BUT WONDERED IF US COULD SUPPORT SUCH CANDIDACY. (CONFIDENTIAL -- USUN 5028)

9. FIJIAN REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE --

FIJIAN PERMREP VUNIBOBO EXPRESSED HIS SERIOUS CONCERN TO MISOFF ABOUT LACK OF US INTEREST IN THE PACIFIC REGION. NOTING INTER ALIA FIJIAN DIFFICULTIES IN OBTAINING ASSISTANCE DUE TO "UNREALISTIC" PERM CAPITA INCOME CRITERIA, VUNIBOBO SUGGESTED THAT THE POTENTIAL SYMOBLIC SIGNIFICANCE OF AN INVITATION TO THE FIJIAN PRIME MINISTER TO VISIT WASHINGTON WOULD BE VERY IMPORTANT. REMINDING US OF FIJI'S FRIENDSHIP AND HELP AT THE UN, VUNIBOBO SAID FIJI MIGHT HAVE TO TURN TO THE SOVIET UNION FOR ASSISTANCE IF IT IS NOT FORTHCOMING FROM OTHER SOURCES. (CONFIDENTIAL -- USUN 5050)

10. AUSTRALIAN DRAFT ON ENERGY DIALOGUE --

AUSTRALIAN DRAFT RESOLUTION WAS FORMALLY SUBMITTED FOR CONSIDERATION IN SECOND COMMITTEE, ON "INTERNATIONAL ENERGY CONSULTATIONS". AUSTRALIAN'S HAVE CONSULTED WITH G-77, INCLUDING SOME OPEC COUNTRIES, AND NOW REPORT THAT "THEY HAVE REASON TO BELIEVE" THAT THIS DRAFT WILL BE ACCEPTABLE TO THEM. (LIMITED OFFICIAL USE -- USUN 5030)

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11. OVERVIEW MECHANISM --

DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY FRANK MET WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF EC-9 COUNTRIES, CANADA, JAPAN, SWEDEN, AND AUSTRALIA, AND SUBMITTED TO THEM PROPOSED US DRAFT RESOLUTION ON OVERVIEW. US HOPED FOR SUPPORT AND COSPONSORSHIP OF AS MAY DELEGATIONS REPRESENTED AS POSSIBLE; US DRAFT REPRESENTED EFFORT AT INCORPORATING THEIR VIEWS, PARTICULARLY ON ROLE OF ECOSOC. EC-9 WERE PREPARED WITH THEIR OWN DRAFT, WHICH INCLUDED ONLY VERY INDIRECT REFERENCE TO A RESTRICTED BODY. NETHERLANDS NOTED THAT ON LAST-MINUTE INSTRUCTIONS, THEY COULD NOT BE ASSOCIATED WITH EC DRAFT. THE VIEW FROM THE HAGUE WAS THAT THE OVERVIEW FUNCTION WAS OF SUCH POLITICAL IMPORTANCE THAT IT WAS A TASK THAT SHOULD BE ASSIGNED TO GA. EXCEPT FOR NETHERLANDS, EC DELEGATIONS OFFERED THEIR SUPPORT FOR BASIS US PROPOSAL, BUT NOTED THIS WOULD BE FACILITATED BY DRAWING IT CLOSER TO THEIR OWN. ALL CONFIDENTIAL

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EXCEPT NETHERLANDS AGREED ALSO THAT THEY COULD SUPPORT US TEXT REGARDING THE ROLE OF ECOSOC. US TOOK A FEW OF THE EC SUGGESTIONS BUT MAINTAINED THAT ANY FURTHER EFFORT TO BRING US DRAFT CLOSER TO G-77 TEXT WOULD BE DISADVANTAGEOUS TACTICALLY. (LIMITED OFFICIAL USE--USUN 5055)

12. ASIAN ITEM ON COMPOSITION OF UN BODIES --

UK REPRESENTATIVE REPORTED THAT ASIAN ITEM SPONSORS HAVE AGREED THEY WOULD LIMIT THEIR REQUEST FOR CHANGE TO COMPOSITION OF THE GENERAL COMMITTEE. SPECIFICALLY THEIR PROPOSAL WOULD BE TO SPLIT AFRO-ASIAN GROUP INTO TWO GROUPS, ADD TWO VICE PRESIDENTS TO THE GENERAL COMMITTEE, WITH ONE SEAT EACH FOR THE TWO NEW GROUPS, AND BE INCLUDED IN ROTATION OF FLOATING SEAT NOW SHARED BY WEOG AND LATIN AMERICAN GROUP. (LIMITED OFFICIAL USE-- USUN 5021)

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